

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-14, and 18-21 are pending in the present application. Claim 11 has been amended to remove an extra "and" within the claim. New claims 18-21 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-14 and 18-21 are presented for consideration by the Examiner in light of the following remarks.

In the Office Action mailed April 19, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 3-14 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2, 4, and 6 of U.S. Patent No. 6,157,828 in view of Bolon (U.S. Patent 5,822,420). In response thereto, Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer, thereby obviating the above rejection imposed by the Examiner.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application is earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,)

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